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SUBJECT: KENYA-TANZANIA RECONCILIATION TALKS

REF: ZANZIBAR 87

1. FIRST PUBLIC MENTION IN KENYA OF TANZANIA-KENYA TALKS APPEARED IN MARCH 11 DAILY NATION. TALKS HELD IN ZANZIBAR MARCH 9 WERE LED ON THE KENYAN SIDE BY PERMSEC IN PRESIDENT'S OFFICE GEOFFREY KARIITHI, AS REPORTED REFTTEL, AND NINE PERSON TANZANIAN TEAM WAS HEADED BY KARIITHI'S TANGOV COUNTERPART TIMOTHY APIYO. QUOTING "INFORMED SOURCE," DAILY NATION SAID TALKS WERE PROMPTED BY LETTER FROM PRESIDENT KENYATTA TO PRESIDENT NYERERE LAST WEEK IN WHICH KENYATTA REQUESTED INITIATION OF DISCUSSIONS ON BILATERAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

2. ACCORDING TO NATION, DISCUSSION WILL CONTINUE MARCH 15 IN KISUMU, KENYA (ON LAKE VICTORIA). TALKS EXPECTED TO COVER THE DEMISE OF EAST AFRICAN AIRWAYS AND PROBLEMS
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OF OTHER COMMON SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS. TANZANIA WILL REPORTEDLY SEEK EXPLANATION OF THE GROUNDING OF SHIPS AT KISUMU IN 1975 WHICH ADVERSELY AFFECTED TANZANIAN TRADE ON LAKE VICTORIA.

3. COMMENT: GOK OFFICIAL WHO WAS PRESENT SAYS MEETING WITH NYERERE TO DELIVER KENYATTA LETTER WAS ROUGH

SLEDDING. NYERERE REPEATED PET THEME THAT KENYATTA
BEING KEPT IN THE DARK BY UNDERLINGS, WHICH KENYANS
REFUTED. ZANZIBAR MEETING WENT MORE SMOOTHLY, WITH BOTH
SIDES CONCENTRATING ON TRADE-OFFS OF EAC ASSETS (ROLLING
STOCK, SHIPS, ETC.) AND RE-OPENING OF LAND BORDER.
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